ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a device which is used to protect the hoof of a horse. The inventive device replaces a horseshoe and takes the form of a sole (1) which is glued to the lower surface of the hoof, i.e. the surface that rests on the ground. The invention is characterised in that the sole (1) is made from a low-density synthetic material. Moreover, at least one part of the sole comprises at least two stacked layers (2, 3) of material having different hardness values. One of the layers (2) has a greater hardness value in order to withstand wear and abrasion, said layer forming the surface of the sole (1) that rests on the ground, while another layer (3) has a lower hardness value in order to form a shock absorbing and/or damping layer, said layer being intended to come into contact with the hoof. According to the invention, the aforementioned assembly follows the natural deformations in the horny wall of the hoof.